CHAPTER NO. 519 SENATE BILL NO. 2676

By Person, Norris

Substituted for: House Bill No. 2536

By Kent

AN ACT To amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 38, Chapter 6, relative to the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 38, Chapter 6, Part 1, is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately numbered section:

38-6-119.

- (a) The director shall have authority to commission TBI uniformed officers in order to protect and provide security for TBI facilities, employees, and grounds.
- (b) Such uniformed officers shall have full power to carry firearms and make arrests for any offenses under the laws of the State of Tennessee.
- (c) All TBI uniformed officers must successfully complete a prescribed basic law enforcement course of instruction at the Tennessee Law Enforcement Training Academy or its equivalent.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: March 14, 2002

APPROVED this 19th day of March 2002